Domain: Operations and Algebraic Thinking

#### Grade: 3

## **Core Content**

# Cluster Title: Represent and solve problems involving multiplication and division.

**Standard 4:** Determine the unknown whole number in a multiplication or division equation relating three whole numbers. For example, determine the unknown number that makes the equation true in each of the following equations:  $8 \times ? = 48$ ,  $5 = \square \div 3$ ,  $6 \times 6 = ?$ 

### **MASTERY Patterns of Reasoning:**

#### Conceptual:

Students will understand that there can be a result unknown (don't know the answer), change unknown (know the first number of the equation, but not the second), or a start unknown (first number in equation not known) within an equation.

Students will understand the use of a symbol to represent an unknown number.

#### Procedural:

Students can apply multiplication or division to solve for an unknown in an equation.

## Representational:

Students can use a model to solve for the unknown whole number in an equation.

Students can represent an equation by putting the numbers in a real-world problem.

Students can write a word problem that represents an equation with an unknown.

# Supports for Teachers

### **Critical Background Knowledge**

## Conceptual:

Students will understand that both sides of an equation equal the same amount.

Students will understand that a symbol can be used for an unknown within an equation.

#### **Procedural:**

Students will know how to write an equation.

Students can use a symbol to represent an unknown number.

Students can solve a multiplication or division equation.

#### Representational:

Students can model multiplication and division using a variety of strategies.

Code: 3OA4

Academic Vocabulary and Notation		
symbol, equal, =, x, ÷		
Instructional Strategies Used		Resources Used
Use the multiplication table to help find a missing factor.		Murphy, Stuart. Safari Park. HarperCollins, 2001.
Provide problems with an unknown to be found.		The Product Game <a href="http://illuminations.nctm.org/LessonDetail.aspx?ID=L272">http://illuminations.nctm.org/LessonDetail.aspx?ID=L272</a>
Teach students to use a variety of symbols to represent the unknown.		Complete the Division Sentence Facts to 10 http://www.ixl.com/
Use an input/output strategy where either the input or output is unknown.		Interactive Chart http://www.mathsisfun.com/tables.html
Use a number line to model the missing number.		
Assessment Tasks Used		
Skill-Based Task:	Problem Task:	
24= 3 x	This is a skill-based standard. No problem is provided.	
56 ÷ <u></u> = 7		